

What Goes On

Monday, Dec. 26 City Offices
Closed

Wednesday, Dec 28, 7 p.m.,
Grand Opening Police Sub-
station, Beltway Plaza

Thursday, Jan. 5, 7:30 p.m.,
GEAC Meeting, Hunting
Ridge Community Center.

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The Greenbelt News Review
office will be closed Monday
December 26. It will be open
at the regular time 8-10 p.m.
on Tuesday night, December
27 for ads and copy.

Season for Giving and Receiving Spills over in Council Actions

by Alex Barnes

The spirit of giving was active at the December 12 Greenbelt City Council meeting. Doug Love (Plateau Place), in an effort to save Greenbelt money, gave council desk calendars. Council gave gifts to former city and county council member Richard Castaldi and to the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Chamber Choir. On the subject of gifts, council authorized the city staff to apply for a grant which would establish a bike patrol in Greenbelt and signed a bond in the amount of \$1.26 million to finance improvements to the Roosevelt Center buildings and parking lot.

On the subject of the parking lot, council discussed the complaints they have received regarding the enforcement of parking restrictions around the Center. Other business discussed included the city's recycling drop-off site, and parking and safety on Crescent Road near the library.

Castaldi Recognized

The mayor and council recognized Richard Castaldi for his combined 22 years of service to Greenbelt as its mayor and city and county council representative. Castaldi was an early advocate for senior citizen housing in Greenbelt and, as a county council member, worked for growth management strategies and traffic mitigation. Council member Thomas White said that Castaldi "... was always there in Upper Marlboro (for the City of Greenbelt). Council member Ed Putens commented that "everywhere I went in Greenbelt, there was Richard."

Castaldi said that he was "proud and blessed" to have represented Greenbelt, the town in which he was born, raised and still lives. He said that for now, he was going to enjoy his family for a while. Mayor Antoinette Bram presented Castaldi with a parka from council as a token of their appreciation for what Castaldi has done.

Roosevelt Chamber Choir

Representatives of the Eleanor Roosevelt Chamber Choir filled the council chamber with song. They requested help from the city in order to attend a national competition in San Francisco this spring. At Mayor Bram's suggestion, council waived its standing rules in order to act on this request at this meeting. After an awkward silence, White proposed that they match Beltway Plaza's gift to the choir. Beltway Plaza is paying the choir \$100 per performance for five performances. Putens, being

more generous with Greenbelt's money said council should do better than Beltway Plaza. Council member Rodney Roberts suggested that they give money left over from council's travel budget. Council finally settled on a donation of \$600. Individuals may send donations to Dr. Barbara Baker at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, 7601 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt.

Parking Enforcement Around the Center

Mayor Bram mentioned that she had received several complaints regarding parking tickets around the Center. Citizens are apparently upset that Greenbelt's new parking enforcement officer is doing his job. While not condoning illegal parking, Bram suggested that a public hearing regarding parking around the center could be held soon—perhaps in January. White said that 60 minutes is not enough time for people to complete multiple tasks in the Center.

City Manager Daniel Hobbs pointed out that only one fourth of the Center parking is timed. In addition, he said that the parking enforcement officer has been lenient in enforcing the time limits, for example giving 80 minutes for a 60-minute space. Hobbs said that the parking restrictions were developed to balance competing needs: the merchants' need for parking spaces for their customers and people's need for unlimited parking.

One casualty of the parking enforcement has been Greenbelt Auto and Truck. Mat Radcliffe, representing the firm, said they have paid \$200 in parking tickets that their customers have received. The customers generally leave their cars in the Co-op parking lot in the morning and then pick them up in the evening. Putens, in another stroke of generosity with Greenbelt's money, suggested that the city give some parking spaces to Greenbelt Auto and Truck. City Manager Hobbs pointed out that there are parking spaces near the facility that are not regulated. Council member J Davis suggested to Radcliffe that they inform their customers as to where it is best to park their cars.

Police on Bicycles Grant

Council considered whether or not Greenbelt should apply for a grant, under the new federal crime bill, that would establish a bike patrol in Greenbelt. City staff did not recommend submitting the proposal because the grant only pays 75% of the officers' salary and Greenbelt is already facing a \$500 thousand budget gap. In addition, Mayor Bram questioned how Greenbelt would fund the police after the three-year grant expires. Council, at White's suggestion, decided to proceed with the appli-

cation with the option to refuse the grant if they decide Greenbelt cannot afford the cost.

Roosevelt Center Improvements Bond

People who don't think what happens across the nation affects Greenbelt should think again. Greenbelt's ability to secure a bond has been hampered by the events surrounding the bankruptcy of Orange County, California. The bond was authorized in April 1993 to finance public improvements to the Center. The total amount of the bond was \$1.26 million, of which \$900 thousand is designated for improvements to the buildings in the Center, and the remainder for the parking lots. NationsBank was the only local bank interested in selling a bond to the city. After some discussion as to whether they should take NationsBank's current offer, or hope that the rates would decrease, council decided to sign the contracts at once.

Recycling

At a previous council meeting, Greenbelt's Recycling Advisory Committee had recommended that the city no longer accept co-mingled recyclable materials
See COUNCIL, p. 5

Eavesdropper Squeals

by James Giese

Before the December 15 Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board meeting and during its recess, the principal topic of discussion among members and staff was the new stop sign put up that day on Crescent Road at the entrance to the library parking lot. The following is the gist of some of the conversation overheard. No names are used since the speakers were not aware that a big-eared reporter was listening and taking notes.

"Did you see the new stop sign on Crescent by the library? I drove right through it the first time. I couldn't believe it was there."

"Is it up already? The Council just asked the Manager to look into it on Monday."

"Why did they put a stop sign there? There's no traffic on Crescent."

"People can't see when they drive out of the library. They don't want to remove parking places on the street."

"Oh, so everybody gets inconvenienced."

"Have you seen the new stop sign on Crescent by the Library? I almost drove right through it. I couldn't believe it was there."

"When did they put that up?"

"Why just today?"

"I think they've gone crazy with speed bumps and everything."

"I bet they get complaints."

"That's crazy. There're already too many around."



Members of the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Chamber Choir sing for Council. Left to right - Jessica Denson, Licia Spinelli, Greenbelters Corita Jones, signing for the deaf, and Renaud Brown.
—photo by J. Henson

GHI Board Members Agree In Opposition to Petitions

by James Giese

The January 7 special membership meeting of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) will be limited to consideration of the two petitions dealing with current and future monthly charges to members. The petition regarding the removal of Alan Freas from the Board of Directors, which had been invalid due to insufficient signatures, was not resubmitted by the December 15 meeting of the Board of Directors. If it had been resubmitted with more signatures obtained, the Board would then have had to decide if it should be considered at the special meeting.

At its meeting, the Board reviewed and approved the issuance of the annual letter to go to members notifying them of changes in the monthly fees. It was agreed that all boardmembers would sign the letter.

A second letter from the board is to go to the members along with the notice of the special meeting. The board reviewed a fact sheet prepared by General Manager Gretchen Overdurf intended to answer commonly asked questions about the special meeting which is to go with the meeting notice. While making some minor suggestions for change, boardmembers felt that preparation of the fact sheet was well done.

Board Opposes

Freas, who had stepped down as board chair at the start of the meeting, asked if the board wanted to recommend its opposition to the two petitions. The board agreed to do so. Boardmember Vonda Henry wanted it to be known how hard the board had worked to hold expenses down. Boardmember Wayne Williams felt that reasons should be given for the board's opposition to the petitions. It was decided that boardmembers Kathleen Webber, Donald Comis and Alan Turnbull would draft a statement of reasons expressing the Board's opposition to the petitions.

As to the conduct of the meeting, Henry felt that the board should not sit on the stage but down in front, "as we are part of the membership." It was agreed that only the board chair, newly elected Chairman Carol Levin, would be on the stage. As part of the discussion of the first petition, Henry, GHI's treasurer, will be expected to make a short budget presentation.

Comis asked the board to rescind his adopted motion of the last meeting as to who would be permitted to attend the meeting. He said it was not his intent to exclude non-GHI members (outsiders) such as the press from attending the meeting. After rescinding the motion, Comis put forth a new motion to limit attendance by paid employees to a recording secretary, a school maintenance person and a parliamentarian. (The General Manager and Department Heads, who will be expected to attend as well, will not be paid extra to attend since they are on fixed salaries.)

Management Audit

Comis also moved that an independent consultant be employed to do a management audit on GHI. Freas contended that funds for such an audit are not budgeted, that the motion was out of order for this meeting and
See GHI, p. 14

Paying Dearly

Times are hard for many of us. We can't make manufacturers and retailers of groceries and other necessities stop raising prices. We can't halt and reverse the galloping upward fees charged by doctors, dentists and others.

But, we can vote in Greenbelt Homes, Inc. and so in GHI we are tempted to vent our frustrations, like the guy who is chewed out unfairly by his boss so he comes home and takes it out on spouse, kids and the dog.

Is it wise? I hold in my hand three petitions that someone drew up and got about 50 persons to sign, forcing GHI, under its bylaws, to hold a special membership meeting to do two things: Freeze GHI members' monthly payments for the next four years and fire one GHI Board of Directors member before his two-year term expires. I think all of this should be rejected.

Freas did nothing to deserve recall. He acted consistently in his official capacity as President, I believe, and in what he thought was in GHI's best interests. He was re-elected by those who apparently agreed with him.

It is unfair to misuse the recall provision of the bylaws, which were put there to empower members to replace elected officials who suddenly are found to abuse their position midway through their term. The minority when he was reelected ought instead to work to become the majority if he runs again.

As to the freezing of the monthly payments: One motion would freeze our payments to GHI for 1995. The other would freeze our payments to GHI, except for any payments necessary to allow GHI to pay for "projected" tax increases, for the next three years—1996, 1997, 1998. I don't know what the board should do, during 1996-99, if there are tax increases that the board hadn't "projected" when making up budgets for any of the years 1995-98 but which occur anyway.

Isn't it marvelous that whoever drew up these petitions can foretell the future so confidently and so precisely, even if their crystal ball can see only to 1998.

GHI members are powerful enough to pass motions to freeze payments, but would pay dearly for it if we pass them. GHI must buy supplies, utility services, equipment, and the labor of its employees, among other expenditures. GHI can't say to suppliers, "Our members voted to freeze their payments to us so you must sell us what we need at the old price, not your current price."

During the next three years, I am told, two to three GHI vehicles will have to be replaced—even though it is policy to run

them as long as possible—and vehicle prices keep going up. It is probable, with our housing stock built in the 1930's and 40's, that we could face having to spend far in excess of current budget to rebuild or replace one or more homes. We could have excessive underground sewer failure or massive parking lot failure; we'd be facing costs well beyond ordinary budgeted costs.

Four years of freeze would have to mean we can't sue or be sued in court, because GHI would have to pay its lawyers unbudgeted sums, above and beyond their retainers. We certainly can't lose any cases in court and have to tell the judge, "Sorry, we ain't gonna pay the verdict because our members voted to freeze payments."

As costs of everything else that GHI has to buy go up, GHI would have to fire employees and/or cut their wages, health benefits, and contributions to their pensions, and/or reduce maintenance of our property, including our houses.

One of the petitions complains about present membership fees discouraging sales. For those who plan to live here as cheaply as possible by freezing GHI's revenues and therefore its ability to maintain itself, and then sell out, I want them to think about how they are going to sell their houses in an increasingly scruffy town. Especially when the prospective buyers of their homes are told, as the law requires, that the majority of GHI voters could and did pass such improvident motions and are capable of doing so again and again while the co-op they are about to invest in goes steadily downhill.

Mat Amberg

Open Letter

On behalf of the Greenbelt City Council and the citizens of Greenbelt, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff of Jasper's Restaurant for the Thanksgiving Day luncheon they so generously provided for Greenbelt's senior citizens. This luncheon has become a Thanksgiving Day tradition over the years. The music, the food, the personnel, the door prizes and the atmosphere all have received appreciative comments from those who attend. As one participant remarked, "I couldn't believe I was sitting there with all my friends and not having to worry if the potatoes and the rest of the food would be ready at the same time."

This wonderful luncheon program at Jasper's Restaurant has continually offered a place for senior citizens to give thanks with their friends and neighbors and has provided the opportunity for community togetherness.

Once again, our thanks to all including the Lions Club Volunteers who were involved in making this year's Thanksgiving Day Luncheon such a success.

Antoinette M. Bram, Mayor
City of Greenbelt, Maryland

Open Letter

Ninety-three adult members of the Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club came out and cast ballots in the Club's Annual Election of the Board of Directors on Monday, December 19. By far, a record. Your voice was heard—loud and clear! The message on the direction you wish the Club to go for the next year was sent. You made a difference. Your kids should be proud.

The next step. You showed that you are concerned about the organization in which your child is a member. There is still much to do throughout the year. At the team level: as a team parent, an assistant to the coach, as a coach or assistant coach. At the sports program level and at the Club level. We are one Club. Your continued involvement is the key to how far the Club can go to service and meet the needs of your children. The Club has a number of committees that need active members: Ways & Means; P.R./Publicity; Budget; Registration; Equipment; Athletic; Awards; Tournaments; Rules; Audit. Take the next step—step further off that sideline and help make the Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club the excellent youth organization it can truly be. For your kids; for the community. Continue to make a difference.

Thanks to all the individuals who were candidates for the board. Thirty candidates was a record.

Now, it's time to go on. There is much to do.

Jeffrey B. Keir

A Very Good Cook —

Each year the Smithsonian hosts a Holiday Celebration the last week of the year, from December 26 through December 31. The Holiday Celebration draws on the traditions of Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and New Years. The National Museum of American History is the setting for music, storytelling, ceremonies, and demonstrations of ethnic cooking and crafts.

For the past four years, Milt Mortman, a Greenbriar Phase 1 homeowner, has been invited to demonstrate Jewish holiday food traditions at the holiday celebration. He has served his audiences such rich pastries as bow tie cookies and rugelach and has prepared knishes and pirogen, which can be meals in themselves. Milt differentiates Jewish bow tie cookies, twisted pastries which are rolled in sugar, from those of other cultures in that they are baked rather than deep fried.

Milt is an engineer at the National Environmental Satellite Center and is a man of diverse talents. "He's a very good cook," says his wife Rhoda. "Informing the public in this way preserves and passes on our heritage," adds Milt.

— Reprinted from Greenbriar Crier

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The News Review welcomes letters to the editor. They should be submitted by 9 p.m. Tuesday, be signed in handwriting (with the name also printed or typed) and bear the writer's address and phone number. If possible, letters should be typed double-spaced on one side of the paper. All letters are subject to editing for reasons of space, libel, taste, and clarity.

Can't Believe It

To the Editor:

I am writing in regard to the upcoming GHI special membership meeting.

I cannot believe that we are doing this again: We have members who appear to be "concerned" about the budget but are unnecessarily spending GHI's money and staff time on another special membership meeting.

GHI has in place a by-laws ordained process by which members can have input in the annual budget process. There were at least 12 meetings this year at which members could voice their opinions on the 1995 budget. How many opportunities does one need to voice their opinion? Why do we need a special membership meeting in January when meetings have been held on this budget since August? Maybe some members just don't get it!

Some members seem to believe that the GHI Board of Directors is a they, not a part of us. Are we forgetting that to be on the Board of Directors, one has to live in GHI and be a member of the Co-op? This board was elected by the membership, of which they are a part, to represent our best interests. If we have so little confidence in them, why did we elect them?

If one carefully studies the

1995 budget, they will discover that excluding the increase in real estate taxes, the budget increase is less than last year's special membership meeting cost GHI (which means you and me).

If we do not believe in the by-laws and budget process that are currently in place, then perhaps we need to look at these processes and make the needed changes so that we can get on with the efficient running of Greenbelt Homes, Incorporated.

Deborah K. Hess

Job Well Done

I had occasion to observe Mr. Jeffrey's performing his duty re: parking enforcement. In my opinion he performed such duty in a most business-like and thorough manner. A job well done, and certainly most needed.

I am a handicapped individual, a disabled veteran, the factor of that reserved space is vital to me, and naturally everyone requiring such space. No question, some citizens are abusing this which the community has seen fit to grant us handicapped.

One of the most flagrant traffic violations I have noted in the past year or so is a lack of respect and regard for a "Stop" sign. I do believe, in the main, it is attributable, to people who violated this law in the community where they originated.

Ed W. Heikens

Boys and Girls Club Have Elected Board

On Monday, Dec. 19 the General Membership of the Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club elected the following individuals to represent them for the year 1995 on the Board of Directors: Chris Bates; Pat Benson; Eleana Brooks, Dennis Lewis; Marthea Lewis, returning past president of 1994; Mark Markowich; Richard Mason; Jill O'Donnell; Barbara Osborne; Bridgette Osborne; Ava Ramey; Kathy Scianella; Jannaray Strauss; Dauphine Vicks; Frank Wheeler and Jeff Williams.

The Board of Directors for 1995 will elect officers for the club. Their names will be posted at the Youth Center, SHL Rec. Ct. and in the News Review.



GREENBELT CONNECTION Christmas Holiday Schedule

Because of the Christmas Holiday, the city's dial-a-ride service, the Greenbelt Connection, will NOT operate on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 26. The service will be resumed on Tuesday, December 27.



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

Because of the Christmas Holiday, CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1994, AND REFUSE WILL NOT BE COLLECTED THAT DAY. Monday's route will be collected on Tuesday. Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday. Thursday and Friday's route will be on their regular schedule. Special Trash and Yard Waste collections, which have been previously requested, will be collected on Wednesday with the regular collection.

Recyclables will be collected on their regular schedule.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DEADLINE INFORMATION

MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$30 per year. Advertising and news articles may be mailed (Box 68, Greenbelt), deposited in our box at the Greenbelt Co-op grocery store before 7 p.m. Tuesday or delivered to the editorial office in the basement of 15 Parkway (474-4131). The office is open Monday from 2-4 and 8-10 pm for display advertising; deadline is 10 pm. News articles and classified ads are accepted Monday from 2-4 and 8-10 pm and Tuesday from 8-10 pm.

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City Notes

The leaf vacuum machine was repaired and will be back in service soon. Leaves were collected and taken to the composting facility from residential neighborhoods, parks, and along city rights-of-way. Signs indicating Christmas tree drop-off points were put up.

Storm drains were cleaned, pot holes were filled, and obscured pavement markings were repainted. The basketball court at Ridge and Crescent Roads was repaired.

Snow removal equipment was readied. Two salt spreaders were mounted on dump trucks. Hydraulic snow plows were set up for rapid deployment when needed.

GEAC to Meet

The Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC) will hold its next meeting on Thursday, January 5, 7:30 p.m., at the Hunting Ridge Community Center located at 6914 Hanover Parkway. Elections will be held to select GEAC officers to serve in 1995. All citizens of Greenbelt are encouraged to attend.

People should contact Tim Sechrist at 345-6861 if they have any questions or comments.

Support Group For Caregivers

A support group for family members and care providers of individuals with Alzheimer's Disease, dementia or memory loss meets the fourth Tuesday of the month, 5-6:30p.m. at University Fellowship Adult Day Care Center in College Park. Respite care is provided. For further information, contact Beverly Long or Michelle Cordova at (301)422-7970.

Spotlight on the Arts

by Frank Pearlman

SNEAK PREVIEW

On Tuesday evening December 27, you can catch a look at the GAC production of "The Cemetery Club." This special preview will take place at Mishkan Torah and is being co-sponsored by the Judith Resnik Group of Hadassah and the Mishkan Torah Sisterhood. Mark the date: Tuesday evening Dec. 27 at 8:30 p.m. For more information call 474-4223.

Don Juan In Hell

Auditions are being held Jan. 9 & 10 at 7 p.m. for the March production of "Don Juan in Hell," directed by Suzanne Zappasodi. For more information call 441-8770.

Please Help

During wet or windy weather, residents can help their News Review carriers by placing some kind of box, plastic bag or brick by the doorstep to protect and secure the paper.

A Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to all my Friends, Neighbors and Family
Lucille Howell

Holiday Greetings to my Greenbelt Friends and Neighbors
Bernie McGee

Warmest Holiday Greetings to our Greenbelt friends and neighbors
The Weidenfeld Family

Greenbriar Holds Tree Lighting Party

Greenbriar hosted the traditional Greenbelt East tree lighting on Sunday, December 11. Highlights of the evening included international songs of the season by members of the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Choir, the tree lighting by Miss Greenbelt, Carolina Godinez, and refreshments for the community. Present were Mayor Toni Bram and members of council J Davis and Ed Putens. Dorothy Pyles, Greenbriar Board Member and former Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen, served as host for this event and provided refreshments throughout the evening.

GHI Notes

GHI offices will be closed on Monday, December 26 in observance of Christmas. For emergency maintenance that day please call 474-6011.

The A & E Committee will meet on December 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

A Special Membership meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, January 7, 1995, at Greenbelt Elementary School beginning at 2 p.m.

Recreation Review

Competitive Volleyball Drop-In
Drop-in volleyball is played in the Greenbelt Middle School Gym on Monday evenings from 7-10 p.m. Everyone 16 years and over is welcome. A yearly registration fee is charged.

Women's Drop-In Basketball
Women's drop-in basketball can be played at SHL Rec. Center on Monday evenings from 7-10 p.m.

GREENBELT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Wishes You and Your Family a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



We Wish All Our Friends In Greenbelt A Joyful Holiday Season
George Loutsch Family



My wife Athen, our family and I wish you and yours A Blessed Holy Season, Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year that brings Peace, Joy and Good Health to All.

SENATOR LEO GREEN

To All My GREENBELT FRIENDS and NEIGHBORS

May the Beauty of the Season Fill Your Heart with Joy!

Judith "J" Davis

Holiday Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year to our Greenbelt friends and neighbors

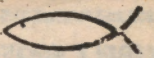


The BRAM Family

Marcel Westbrook
 Marcel L. Westbrook, 31, of Hanover Parkway, died Dec. 13 at Doctors Community Hospital in Lanham.
 Mr. Westbrook was born March 15, 1963 in Cambridge and was a 1981 graduate of Largo High School. He was an optical technician with Homer Optical Co., Inc. in Silver Spring.
 Survivors include his mother, Serena Westbrook-Gregg of Greenbelt and his father, Freddie Westbrook of Charlotte Hall. Burial was private.

Donate Cars to UCP
 Donate a car or other vehicle to United Cerebral Palsy. Call UCP at (301) 262-4993 or 1-800-621-9403. UCP handles all details including paper processing, picking up the vehicle and selling it at an auction. There is no charge to the donor.
 UCP provides a statement for tax purposes of estimated retail value. They pick up vehicles throughout Prince George's County. Any vehicle is accepted, running or not, car or truck. Trailers, boats, and RVs accepted. All proceeds go to UCP.

Recycling Corner
 Public Works is pleased to announce expanded capacity for mixed paper recycling at the Drop-Off Center. Residents can recycle magazines, catalogs, junk mail, and miscellaneous glossy paper. No window envelopes or wax paper, please! Remember, glass, plastic, metal containers and newspapers are collected weekly at the curb. For more information about the curbside recycling program, call 888-5963 (new number).


Catholic Community of Greenbelt
MASS
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 If you are serious about making changes in your behavior, or in how you feel, we can help you. Using dynamic Bible principles, massive changes can take place in your marriage, family, personal and business life. We can help you overcome:
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 For a personal appointment, call 441-4935 or write: Faith Ministries, P.O. Box 865, Greenbelt, MD 20768.

Hadassah to Meet
 The Judith Resnik Group of Greater Washington Hadassah will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, December 27, at 7:45 p.m. at Mishkan Torah Synagogue.
 The program for the evening's meeting will be The Greenbelt Players, presenting scenes from "The Cemetery Club," an entertaining comedy. The meeting will be in conjunction with the Mish-


kan Torah Sisterhood.
 For more information, to R.S.-V.P., and for directions, please call group President Ina Shapiro at 301/890-4128.
 Hadassah is a not-for-profit organization involved in support of Hadassah hospitals and other Hadassah projects in Israel, as well as educational, social, and youth projects in Israel and the United States.

Paint Branch Unitarian Church
 (3215 Powder Mill Road)
 Sat., Dec. 24, 7 p.m. Family Candlelight Service
 8:30 p.m. Choral Christmas Music
 9 p.m. Adult Candlelight Service
 Sun., Dec. 25, 10:30 a.m. Family Christmas Celebration
 Assistive Listening Devices
 Rev. R.H. Thompson 937-3666

Baha'i Faith
 "There is need of a superior power to overcome human prejudices, a power which nothing in the world of mankind can withstand and which will overshadow the effect of all other forces at work in human conditions. That irresistible power is the love of God."
 — Baha'i Sacred Writings
 Greenbelt Baha'i Community
 P.O. Box 245
 Greenbelt, MD 20770
 345-2918 220-3460

 **Merry Christmas**
 +++++ Study (Christmas Day) 9:45 AM
 Worship (Christmas Day) 11:00 AM
 Midweek Prayer Service (Wed.) 7:45 PM
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 7:00 PM
 For transportation, or questions, call 474-4212 9:00 to 1:00
 Reverend Drew Shofner -- Pastor


Greenbelt Baptist Church
 Located at the corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads
Berwyn Presbyterian Church
 6301 Greenbelt Road
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 All are Welcome
 Rev. Sidney Conger 474-7573

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 Sunday School and Bible Classes 9:50 a.m.
 Pre-School Department 9:50 and 11:15 a.m.
 Rev. Stephen H. Mentz, Pastor 345-5111

ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Fifty Years Ago

Sports Editor Named

by James Giese

November, 1944—Mrs. Catherine Tucker became the first lady Sports Editor of the **Greenbelt Cooperator**. A recruit of six week's standing, Tucker had been handling the local football news. (Just as now, if you're not careful, you can be promoted mighty

fast at the Greenbelt newspaper. Now, however, we are totally unsexist about the position of Sports Editor. We don't have one).

In another staff change, Mrs. Heler Chasanow resigned her position as News Editor. Mrs. Chasanow had been associated with the **Cooperator** for over a period of four years. The staff hoped that she would return sometime in the future.

23rd Annual Festival of Lights

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION,
GREENBELT, MARYLAND 301-474-6878

The 23rd Annual Festival of Lights is a Celebration of holiday events held throughout the month of December. We welcome the participation of the entire community during this special season. Whatever the origins of our individual customs and traditions, we celebrate together as family, friends and neighbors in the spirit of the Festival of Lights that adorn the city holiday tree. Many programs, both old and new, have been scheduled for Greenbelters and their guests to enjoy. Share in your community's holiday season spirit for 1994!!

Tuesday, December 27th, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. — Potomac Mills Shopping Trip

We'll be taking two vans for all the after holiday sales. One van will be for teens ages 13-17 and the other for adults/seniors. Cost of the trip is bargain priced at \$5.00 for teens and \$10 for adults. Space is limited. Register in advance. Call 474-6878 for additional information.

Wednesday, December 28th, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. — Ice Skating Trip

Herbert Wells Ice Rink, College Park. Children 12 and under are invited to meet at the Youth Center and travel to the Wells Ice Rink for an enjoyable afternoon on the ice. Cost of the trip is \$5.00/person which covers transportation, admission and skate rental. Please register in advance. Call 474-6878 for additional information.

Saturday, December 31st, 7:30 p.m. - Sunday, January 1st, 10:00 a.m. — New Year's Eve Sleepover

Greenbelt Youth Center. Need a babysitter? We have an evening of fun planned for your child. Program includes a New Year's Eve Party with games, movies, munchies and a light breakfast. Registration is \$25/child; \$15/each additional child in same family. A \$5.00 late fee will be assessed for every 15 minutes after the 10:00 a.m. pick-up time. Age limit 6-12 years old. Call the Recreation Department, 474-6878, for registration form.

HOLIDAY HOURS FOR GREENBELT RECREATION DEPARTMENT FACILITIES

GREENBELT AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTER	
Christmas Eve	- 8:00a.m.-6:00p.m.
Christmas Day	- 12:00noon-8:00p.m.
New Year's Eve	- 8:00a.m.-6:00p.m.
New Year's Day	- 12:00noon-8:00p.m.
YOUTH CENTER AND SPRINGHILL LAKE RECREATION CENTER	
Christmas Eve	- 12:00noon-5:00p.m.
Christmas Day	- 12:00noon-5:00p.m.
New Year's Eve	- 12:00noon-5:00p.m.
New Year's Day	- 12:00noon-10:00p.m.

NOTE*** DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS BOTH CENTERS OPEN AT 12:00 NOON.

COUNCIL

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(aluminum, glass, steel cans, plastic containers) at the city's drop-off location, the main reason being that this service duplicates, at a cost to the city, services already provided by the county to Greenbelt households. Council, after receiving input from Greenbelt civic associations, voted to close the city's commingled recycling bin to public use.

New Stop Sign

In response to Crescent Road parking and safety complaints, council voted to add stop signs to Crescent Road where it intersects with the entrance to the library parking lot. The stretch of Crescent Road at issue falls between Southway and Westway. Two residents of the nearby apartments complained about lack of parking, stating that many library users park on Crescent Road instead of using the library parking lot. City Planning Officer Celia Wilson said that only minor changes to the parking configuration are feasible. The stop signs address only the safety aspect of the aforementioned Crescent Road complaints.

Other Business

Council passed two ordinances to amend the elections chapter of the City Code, for the purpose of maintaining the seriousness of city elections. The ordinances empower the Board of Elections to remove from the ballot city council candidates who fail to file required reports.

Among the items on the consent agenda was a storm water mandate from the Clean Water Act. The mandate requires permits and the elimination of pollutants from separate municipal storm sewer run-off. Because of the cost in meeting these mandates, council is requesting that their congressional delegation provide relief from these mandates. This procedure has been followed three times in the past seven years, according to the council meeting notes.

Come On In!

In order to visit the News Review office, customers must enter the code 015 into the phone pad of the security system. Please be aware that the leading zero MUST be included.



Mayor Toni Bram presents a coat to former city council/county council member Richard Castaldi.

—photo by J. Henson

Recycling Corner CLIP AND SAVE

Curbside Recycling Program

The following materials are collected every Tuesday or Thursday, depending on location:

- NEWSPAPER (no plastic bags, please)
- glass bottles and jars
- steel and bimetal cans
- plastic milk/water jugs
- plastic soda bottles (PET #1)
- plastic detergent bottles marked HDPE #2

Please rinse all containers and discard the caps.

Recycling at Buddy Attick Park

The Drop-off Center is for Greenbelt residents ONLY since it's supported solely by City tax-dollars. The following materials are accepted for recycling:

- magazines, catalogs — junk mail (marked mixed paper)
- cardboard boxes and paper-board (egg cartons empty cereal/cracker boxes)
- telephone books
- white office paper
- used oil & antifreeze
- newspaper & commingled glass, plastic and metal

Our Neighbors

by Linda Savaryn

474-5285.

Condolences to Serena Westbrook-Gregg on the death of her son Marcel L. Westbrook.

Archana Manohar, a graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School has enrolled as a freshman at the University of Rochester (NY). Manohar, a resident of Greenbelt is a recipient of an alumni scholarship. Alumni scholarships, renewable each year of college, are given with the student's academic ability, other accomplishments, and financial need in mind. Winners are selected from those nominated by members of the University's Volunteer Admissions Network throughout the U.S. and abroad.

Marine Pvt. Alejandro A. Quintero, son of Angela Quintero of Mandan Terrace, recently completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. The 1993 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School joined the Marine Corps in June 1994.

Arriving with the full moon and born at home naturally to William and Amy Shugrve of Parkway, a daughter, Destiny Tecumseh, on December 18 at 9:34 a.m. Destiny weighed 8 lbs 4 oz and was delivered by her father. Amy was attended by her good friends Karen and Cindy as well as a midwife. Destiny's big sister, Dakota attended the birth and welcomed her sister into the world. It was a wonderful experience for all.

Bjorn Johnson returned Dec. 10 after four months in Norway, Sweden and Denmark as part of St. Olaf College's international studies program. Johnson, a history major, is a junior at St. Olaf College (MN). He started the Scandinavian Urban Studies Term, sponsored by the Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs, in August. In Oslo, Johnson took field trips to other Scandinavian capitals, smaller cities in Norway and cities in the former Soviet Union, learning about urban life, language and Scandinavian culture. Johnson is the son of Lynette Johnson of Ridge Rd.

Department of Recreation
City of Greenbelt
474-6878

SENIOR CITIZENS' OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, January 3, 1995
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. At The Youth Center



Refreshments
Line Dancing
1:00 p.m.



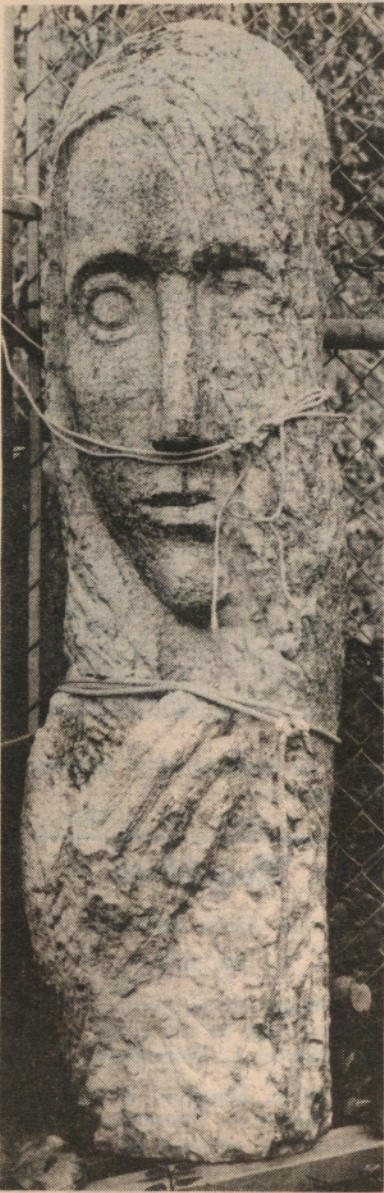
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Statue by Lenore Thomas, a recent gift to the city from the sculptor's daughter, rests in storage awaiting removal to a permanent location.

—photo by J. Henson

Fifty Years Ago At the Movies

by James Giese

October, 1944—"One of the year's top surprises," according to Time Magazine was being shown at the Greenbelt Theatre. "Going My Way" starring Bing Crosby, Barry Fitzgerald and Rise Stevens and directed by Leo McCarey was there for four days, according to the advertisement in the Greenbelt Cooperator. Theatergoers could hear Bing sing "Going My Way," "Swinging on a Star," "The Day After Tomorrow," "Ave Maria," "Silent Night, Holy Night," and three other old favorites.

Two other movie musicals were reviewed by the paper's critic, Henry Kolin, and recommended. "Bathing Beauty" starring Red Skelton and Esther Williams, Xavier Cugat and Harry James was declared to be "a colorful shower of music, comedy and dance . . . Red Skelton is better than his usual zany self, while Esther Williams cavorting in a rosy-red bathing suit thru crystal clear blue water is an eye-filling morsel."

"Up in the Army," produced by Samuel Goldwyn was found to be "a bright technicolored finery with Danny Kaye banging his way through with a maximum of vitality . . . If the story were only better—but then of course we have Danny Kaye and his explosive humour," plus "the usual full quota of beautiful Hollywood belles disguised as Army Nurses making malaria a rare privilege indeed."

Lenore Thomas, Sculptor Of Mother and Child

by Dorothy Sucher

Lenore Thomas, the sculptor who created the Mother and Child in Roosevelt Center and the friezes on the old Center School, was a rebel who dropped out of the Chicago Art Institute and then taught herself to be a sculptor. Doggedly independent, she worked in a stoneyard, borrowed advice and air hammers from the workmen there, and studied the work of other sculptors, mostly in books.

She was born in Chicago on Nov. 1, 1909, the daughter of Andrew S. and Lucy Thomas. Her father came from the village of Lofoten in Norway and one of Lenore Thomas's sculptures stands there at the head of a fjord, representing, as she once explained, "all the men who don't come back from the sea and all the women who wait for them."

Although primarily a sculptor, she also made prints and watercolors, and printed several volumes of her poetry and engravings on her own press. She showed her work at the Chicago Art Institute, the Metropolitan and Whitney Museums, the Corcoran Gallery, and at private galleries.

Leaving Chicago in 1935, she spent a year teaching in New York, and then came to Washington to work in the Resettlement Administration, doing post office work and sculpture for the planned community of Greenbelt.

One large commission enabled her to build a rambling house deep in the woods in Accokeek, Md., where she lived surrounded by her works of art. Among the regular visitors were filmmakers Joseph Losey and Nicholas Ray, and folk singers Alan Lomax and Charles Seeger, the father of Pete Seeger.

In 1943 she married Robert Straus, a management consultant, from whom she was divorced in 1969. They had two children, Eric and Lenore.

In her later years she lived in Maine, where she taught at the well-known Haystack School of Crafts, Deer Isle, and worked communally with a group of local artists. She died in 1988 at the age of 78.

She once said, "Young people want to know about being an artist sometimes, and I ask them if they're prepared for the work, and the disappointments, and the feeling that you have to do it all yourself, and if they say they're ready for that, I tell them to go ahead."

(This story is based in part on an article that appeared in The Washington Post in 1970.)

Greenbelt Receives Legacy of Art From Daughter of Lenore Thomas

by Dorothy Sucher

Greenbelt is the recipient of an important and historic gift of art. The daughter of Lenore Thomas, sculptor of the Mother and Child statue that has long been Greenbelt's symbol, has presented the city with a statue and a group of prints made by her mother. Lenore Straus, the daughter, has also indicated that she wishes to leave a group of smaller sculptures to the city in her will.

Commenting on the gift, City Manager Dan Hobbs said, "I'm excited that in the nineties we can continue Lenore Thomas's artistic legacy to the city. It's a kind of poetic closure."

When Greenbelt was being built in the 1930s, Lenore Thomas was hired by the WPA, the federal agency that employed artists during the Depression, to carve the statue in Roosevelt Center and the frieze across the front wall of the former Center School, now slated to become the city's new Community Center. Over the years she maintained some contact with the city and when she died in 1988 at the age of 78, she willed historic documents and photographs, some showing the building of the frieze, to the Tugwell Room in the Greenbelt Library. Four of these photographs now hang in the Municipal Building.

History of the Present Gift

Last spring Lenore Straus met with a group of Greenbelters with an interest in the city's art and history. The City Manager was present, as well as Barbara Simon, chair of the city's Arts Advisory Committee, her husband, Tom Simon of the Greenbelt library, and Betty Allen, now retired from the library, who for many years was in charge of the Tugwell Room and its collection of Greenbelt memorabilia. Straus, who lives in Burke Va., had begun to think about selling her home and moving to a warmer climate. She indicated her intention of donating a piece of her mother's sculpture to the city for the Community Center. The statue, a bust of a woman about five feet high, was transferred to the city's possession last spring, and may eventually be placed on the lawn between the Community Center and the library.

Straus stated, "My mother was very generous. And I began debating with myself—what happens to all this when I die? So I thought of Greenbelt. That was the first and largest commission she received. And the town's saving and renovating her work on the school building greatly impressed me. Also the article in the News Review about the Halloween "statue watch" tickled me to death. Naturally

on Halloween, things can happen. But I was so pleased that people cared enough about my mother's work to want to protect it."

At the time Mayor Toni Bram wrote a letter to Straus: "It is hard to describe how much this means to our community, which has a very strong sense of history and the legacy which we have inherited. Your mother was a creator of that tradition. I guarantee you that her memory will be forever honored in our presentation and display of her works."

This fall Straus invited Barbara and Tom Simon to her home in Virginia to show them some more of her mother's works. Coincidentally, Barbara Simon, who is herself an artist, had a connection with Lenore Thomas that dated back to her youth, when Thomas had purchased an old printing press from Barbara's parents, John and Dorothy McGee—a press she subsequently took with her to Maine and used in connection with her work.

Art a Revelation

During the visit in Virginia, the Simons were shown a number of small sculptures, among them figures of men and women and a mother and child, which Straus mentioned she would like to leave to Greenbelt in her will.

About the art she saw on this occasion, Barbara Simon commented, "The revelation to me

was not the sculpture, fine as it was. Rather it was the prints—etchings and woodblocks—which her mother had made over the last 17 years of her life. She had turned to printmaking when she lived in rural Maine near the sea. Her subjects are figurative, often people placed in natural surroundings. These works are sensitive and reveal a deep love of nature. Most surprising, considering that Lenore Thomas was a sculptor, is that the later ones often are in vivid color. The mood is meditative, and some show a 'thoughtful face' motif that her daughter said was very typical of her mother's work."

At the time, Straus gave Simon two of her mother's prints for the city of Greenbelt. They have now been framed and are on display in the conference room of the Municipal Building. Soon the city will receive some ten more prints.

One-Woman Show Planned

Lenore Thomas told her daughter that she did not want her works left to a museum where they might languish in a basement, but preferred that they be put where people could see them. Barbara Simon proposed to Straus that the new Community Center might be the ideal place to honor her mother's intention—a suggestion that was favorably received. Now the two are planning a one-woman show of Thomas's work to include the prints, the sculptures to be left to the city in Straus's will, and a loan of monoprints and watercolors. The last should include a self-portrait in watercolors, described by Barbara Simon as "a rather sad, haunting portrait of an elderly woman—very personal—done in the last year of her

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A Special Membership Meeting

has been scheduled for

Saturday, January 7

2:00 p.m.

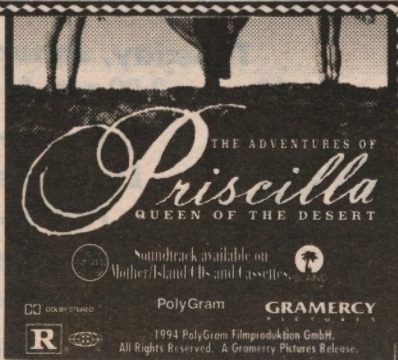
Greenbelt Elementary School

Topic: Member Petitions

Members from the GHI community are asked to volunteer to help set up and take down chairs, set up sound system, register members to vote, count votes during the meeting. Please call 474-4161.

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Sun. - Thurs. 7:25





Barbara Simon, chair of Greenbelt's Arts Advisory Committee, holds a print by Lenore Thomas, a recent gift to the city by the artist's daughter. (Due to the delicacy of the print, it may not reproduce well.)

Lenore Thomas

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life."

The one-woman retrospective would be the opening show in the gallery of the new Community Center. It will occupy a ground-floor room which will be used for senior classes and meetings as well as a place to display the work of Greenbelt artists and those with studios in the building.

Other Work in Greenbelt

A wood carving by Thomas is also on display in the Greenbelt Museum. Called "The Family," it depicts a father, mother, infant, and an older child. This piece was a gift to Mrs. Rexford Tugwell from Lenore Thomas at the time of Greenbelt's construction. During Greenbelt's 50th Anniversary, Mrs. Tugwell loaned the piece to the city, and it was displayed in the theater in conjunction with an exhibit of Original Greenbelt furniture. Mrs. Tugwell later gave the statue to the museum.

A rare book by Thomas is preserved in the Greenbelt library's Tugwell Room. Titled *The Tender Stone*, it was privately printed in 1964 in a limited edition and contains poems, drawings, a few photos, and a description of a trip she made to Norway, her father's birthplace. The dedication reads: "This book is for my family in Norway and America and for my own people everywhere."

Young Footballers Come Close in Final

by Bob Green

On November 19 and 20 the Prince Georges County Boys and Girls Club Football Championships were held at Prince Georges County Sports Park. The "National Division," which includes Greenbelt, was nominated by the "American Division," this year. In the 85-pound AA division, the District Heights team defeated the Greenbelt gridiron warriors. The Greenbelt team had a tough second half but Matt Gregory, Alonzo "Air" Corbett and the offensive line would not quit. The clock worked against the team as key mistakes hurt the Raiders and District Heights pulled away with the win.

It was a great year and I hope all the coaches, Rick Bowden, Dave Covey, Anthony Gaiter, James Green and Maurice Garland, go undefeated next season as they lead the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club's teams to victory through good sportsmanship.

National Gardening Grant

Greenbelt Elementary School was selected earlier this year as one of 160 grant recipients in the national "Kids Growing With Dutch Bulbs" program. This first-of-its-kind grant program is sponsored by the Mail-order Association of Nurseries (MAN), Columbia, MD, the International Flower Bulb Center (IFBC) and the Dutch Bulb Exporters Association, both of Holland.

Members of these three international organizations strongly believe that the future greening of America depends on youth involvement in gardening. The new "Kids Growing With Dutch Bulbs" grant program recognizes schools and youth organizations which demonstrate strong leadership and quality educational programming in introducing youths to and involving them in hands-on gardening.

The 160 grant recipients, located in 41 states were selected from more than 900 eligible applicants nationwide. According to the MAN Executive Director, Camille Chioini, this is just the start of what can become an "everblooming" project.

Each grant recipient group received 252 assorted Dutch bulbs this fall direct from Holland, with the help of Breck Bulbs, Peoria, IL, a MAN member. The shipment also included planting instructions and tips for classroom activities. "We believe providing fall bulbs will help make gardening in the classroom a year-round curriculum," stated Chioini. "Gardening also helps children gain a better understanding of neighborhood beautification, teamwork, food production and cycles of nature."



The View from Ridge Road

by Christine O'Boyle

The Escape

On television, a sleigh filled with people is being pulled by strong horses through snow covered fields towards a mansion that has warm lights glowing from every window. Whenever I see this ad, I long to be in that sleigh going to that house because nowhere in the scene is their pain or sadness.

On the catalogue cover everyone is dressed in cashmere or satin; their jewelry glistens like the lights on a Christmas tree. Handsome men, gorgeous women and beautiful children sit in rooms decorated with sophistication and filled with expensively wrapped boxes. No one is grumpy.

On Interstate 95 travelling north, our van crawls behind thousands of other cars trying to feed into toll booths just beyond the Susquehanna River. The kids have dropped candy papers, used tissues and cookie crumbs all over themselves and the car. Although we wear jeans and dark shirts to disguise whatever has melted on them during the four-hour trip, we no longer look clean and festive.

Oh for a sleigh ride on a lonely road! I would find something to wear — gold lame and emerald earrings — in the mansion filled with impeccably dressed family members being served canapes and champagne. I want an advertisement to live in because real life smells like the next car's exhaust. Even if I were home in my steamy kitchen cooking for family travelling to me, it would be much the same. Holiday work: shopping, cleaning, feeling hassled, feeling too hot in the new green sweater. Holiday dreams: they look only vaguely like this house packed with parents and children, cousins and sisters, where we've arrived after that arduous journey.

Then an uncle greets me with a hug, asks about my writing and tells me my children are beautiful. My heart soars. I forgive these people know me, and I know them. We've watched each other grow up, remarry, go grey. We share unglamorous, disorganized lives. We tend to forgive each other's odd behavior.

During a conversation with my grandmother, I glance across the room where the newly-wedded daughter of the third wife of my uncle is holding her husband so ravenously it takes my breath away. And before I can recover the sentence I was midway through, my leg is squeezed tightly by a child whose hair is like a halo. This little angel is mine. She says, "Mommy I love you where's my coat, come on." My sentence is never finished.

Leaving the first and second generations inside, the third generation is dragged by the fourth to feed my nephew's blind horse. The grass in the field is crackly with unmelted frost. The wind carries smoke from the woodstove burning in the house. The old horse smells the children's carrot and apple-filled finger

ers reaching through the fence.

Ever in search for lightheartedness at this time of year, when daylight is scarce and the month is jammed with holiday duties, I catch myself trying to escape into a commercial-like existence, void of hassles. There's always this portion of my brain wondering if I'll find any meaning in this confusion. Then, standing in a room filled with complicated relationships or watching the faces of children lit up with excitement, I stumble into it: that snow-covered field, that warm mansion where the real magic is, right in front of me.

Fifty Years Ago

Shooting

Wounds Girl

by James Giese

September to November, 1944
—The following is a portion of an editorial published in the Greenbelt News Review on September 1, 1944 and titled "Guns Are Not Playthings."

"All Greenbelt is shocked at the shooting which gravely wounded little Sharon Phelps as she played in her yard at 24-A Ridge Road Sunday. All our sympathy, however, will not prevent a repetition which may be even more tragic.

"The police acted promptly in arresting three boys believed responsible. These boys are reported to have admitted firing in the general direction of the victim. What we are unable to understand is why any parents allow their youngsters to have guns until they know how to use them safely. Rifles are not playthings, but deadly weapons. The ultimate purpose of any firearm is to wound or kill. All practice should be at a designated place and under skilled supervision. In our community we thought adequate precautions had been taken . . ."

Sharon Phelps, daughter of Ensign and Mrs. William J. Phelps was accidentally shot on the front lawn of her home as she played with several of her friends. A ping was heard and she fell over. It was not until a physician examined her that anyone realized that she had been shot in the spine. The following day three boys living on a farm half a mile from the Phelps home were arrested. The boys said that they had been shooting at a weather vane.

The last report on Sharon was that she had shown little improvement. The bullet was still lodged in her spine as the doctors feared to operate. That presented a problem to the prosecution of the three boys, as without the bullet for evidence, the state's attorney could not prove assault with a dangerous weapon.

Gun Ban

On October 3, the Town Council reacted by passing an ordinance prohibiting persons under 17 from carrying firearms within the Town, prohibiting all persons except police officers from carrying loaded firearms within the town and prohibiting anyone except police officers from discharging a firearms within the town limits.

On November 6, Judge Alan Bowie sitting in the Hyattsville Police Court fined each of the three boys \$10 and ordered them to relinquish their guns. The judge also recommended that they get a good thrashing.

Fifty Years Ago

Hull Named Editor

by James Giese

September, 1944—Anne Hull became the thirteenth editor of the Greenbelt Cooperator since its inception in 1937. Hull joined the staff in 1939 and was the feature editor. She replaced Don O'Reilly, who succeeded on his second try to resign from the editor's job which he had held since the fall of 1943. The changes were announced after the newspaper's annual meeting in the paper's office in the basement of 8 Parkway.

Channel B-10 Schedule

Tuesday and Thursday, December 27 & 29

6:00pm	"Eleanor Roosevelt High School Choir at Beltway Plaza"
6:45pm	"Santa in Greenbelt"
7:00pm	"Lions Club Medal of Merit-Educator: Mildred Stephenson"
7:30pm	"Greenbelt Combined Choir"
8:30pm	"Greenbelt Concert Band"

Seasons Greetings from Channel B-10!

LIVE at the Greenbelt Arts Center (123 Centerway, next to the Post Office)	
December	
23 - 31	dark: Happy Holidays
January	
9 & 10 at 7:30	Auditions: Don Juan in Hell, from G.B. Shaw's "Man and Superman", dir. Suzanne Zappasodi, perf. March 3-11
13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 at 8 pm	The Cemetery Club - by Ivan Menchell. directed by Jim Robertson. Three Jewish widows meet once a month for tea before visiting their husbands' graves. "A funny, sweet tempered, moving comedy."
22 at 2 pm	

Unless otherwise noted, performances start at 8 PM and tickets cost \$8 general, \$6 seniors and students. For more information and reservations call (301) 441-8770.



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Fifty Years Ago GSC Management Criticized

by James Giese

October to December 1944—In the latter months of the year, Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc. (GCS) had its share of problems. Some members of management and the Board of Directors were getting continuing criticism. The theater manager, the critics said, was getting too much money. The drugstore had closed down twice because of management problems and was losing money.

In late October, Greenbelt Consumer Services, (GCS) General Manager Thomas Ricker announced his resignation effective December 2. His resignation followed a long period of disagreement among members and directors over various management policies and procedures, according to the Greenbelt Cooperator.

On Sunday, November 12 Samuel Ashelman was unanimously appointed as the new General Manager of GCS. However, this action occurred only after the position had been first offered to theater manager Jack Fruchtman. Ashelman, with a sound background of cooperative experience, managed the Philadelphia warehouse of Eastern Cooperative Wholesale, where he served as "trouble shooter" for "ailing co-ops." (Ashelman and his wife are now owners of Coolfont Resort near Berkeley Springs, West Virginia.)

Much criticism of the co-op's operations originated with the Audit Committee and its chair, M. H. Salzman. At the special meeting on Sunday, November 12, the Committee had suspended director Yates F. Smith. This meeting apparently had been called without the usual notice. Smith, who was not reached until the meeting began, refused to attend and refused to sign a waiver, thus calling into question any action of the Board. The Audit Committee, citing Smith with "negligence of duties" for "refusal to attend the meeting," "refusal to sign a waiver," and "endeavor to control the actions of the rest of the Board," then suspended him.

Although Smith later agreed to sign a waiver, Salzman declared that the suspension stood until it was brought before the membership at its November 22 meeting.

Major C. A. Long reported to the meeting on the results and conclusions of an investigation of his own. He urged that complete information be made available to put an end to the rumors circulating about town about the alleged financial investment by GCS officials in Ricker's new business. Long also recommended that the membership take action not to extend the contract of theater manager, Jack Fruchtman.

No action could be taken on these proposals because membership attendance at the meeting fell 32 short of the 226 needed for a quorum, and the meeting was adjourned to a later date. The Cooperator, in an editorial,

criticized leadership for not making a greater effort to get members to attend the meeting.

At its regular November 24 meeting, the Board of Directors called for a special membership meeting for December 11. Director Smith, at the November meeting declared that his suspension by the Audit Committee had been "an invasion of my rights." He threatened legal action if there were further invasion of his rights. In a letter, Fruchtman told the board he intended to renew his contract to manage the theater.

The Audit Committee also called for a special membership meeting for December 11 to consider, among other things, the removal of the board, and, if necessary, the election of a new board. Also to be considered were three bylaw changes concerning proxy voting, management contracts and voting by proportional representation. However, it was unclear as to whether notice was adequate for the bylaw changes. Committee chairman Salzman advised that a legal opinion was being sought.

The membership meeting did take place on December 11. The Audit Committee's report was accepted by the 324 members who showed up on a windy, rainy night, but first the charges against legal counsel Rysticken were deleted from the report. Then the membership voted to continue the present board in office, it being noted that four of the five directors at whom the committee had directed its fire would be up for reelection in February and the membership would then decide. Board Chairman DeJaeger told the crowd that this, his third term, would be his last.

The contract for Fruchtman was renewed after it was renegotiated to provide for a maximum compensation of \$7,000. He had previously received as much as \$10,000 in 1943, but it was less for 1944. By-law amendments relating to proxy voting and management contracts were also approved, and the GCS employees were voted a Christmas bonus, the total amount for all employees being limited to \$1,500. In an editorial headlined "We Heave a Sigh," the Cooperator expressed relief that the fateful meeting was out of the way.

Recycling Corner

Steel and bi-metal cans are recyclable in the curbside program. Steel cans include fruit, vegetable and soup cans, baby formula cans, tuna and pet food cans. Be sure to rinse the cans thoroughly to avoid unwanted animals. Lids can be inserted into the cans and slightly crushed or discarded. Loose lids are sharp and should be handled with care. For more information about recycling at the curb, call the County Office of Recycling at 883-5963.

Hotline for Seniors

Offers Free Info

U.S. Assistant Secretary for Aging Fernando M. Torres-Gil announced today that the Eldercare Locator — a nationwide, toll-free, directory assistance service providing access to information about home and community services that help older persons — has been funded for three more years.

Anyone can call the Eldercare Locator at 1-800-677-1116, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. The service helps link callers to information about community organizations that provide meals, transportation, housing, home care, legal and other community services, enabling older persons to remain independent in their own homes.

A brochure describing the locator service is available by writing the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, 1112 16th Street, N.W., Suite 100, Washington, DC, 20036-4823.

Happy Holidays

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1995 WINTER RECREATION LEISURE ACTIVITIES



GREENBELT RECREATION DEPARTMENT
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In-person registration, first-come, first-serve basis. ALL registrants may sign up at either Center for all classes. PLEASE NOTE registration days and times at each Center.

REGISTRATION DATES: Tuesday, January 3rd thru Thursday, January 5th, 9:00 am - 7:30 pm; Friday, January 6th, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Saturday, January 7th, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon at Greenbelt Youth Center Business Office. Register at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center Tuesday, January 3rd thru Thursday, January 5th, 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm.

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LATE REGISTRATION ON SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS ONLY: ACCEPTED AT THE YOUTH CENTER BUSINESS OFFICE — beginning Monday, January 9th thru Saturday, Friday 13th, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm and Saturday, January 14th, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon. ALL LATE REGISTRANTS WILL BE CHARGED A LATE FEE OF \$5.00 PER FAMILY!! (If you register late on more than one day, you will be charged another late fee.) NO EVENING REGISTRATION WILL BE CONDUCTED AFTER THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1995.

CLASS FEES: All fees are noted in the course description. Residents are those individuals living within the city limits (not mail only) of Greenbelt and who are entitled to vote in the city election. Non-residents are those living outside the incorporated city limits of Greenbelt. A 10% discount will be given to all senior citizens 60 years old and over, registering for adult classes (but not those designed specifically for senior citizens). All checks should be made payable to the CITY OF GREENBELT. VISA or MasterCard accepted at the YOUTH CENTER BUSINESS OFFICE ONLY UNTIL 4:00 PM. FOR CLASSES HELD AT THE GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER (GAFC) ONLY. CHARGES ARE ACCEPTED AT ANY TIME.

CLASS SCHEDULE: ALL CLASSES WILL BEGIN DURING THE WEEK OF MONDAY, JANUARY 16TH; SATURDAY CLASSES, JANUARY 21st. PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS/HALF DAYS: ALL PPE-SCHOOL HOLIDAYS/HALF DAYS: ALL PRESES WILL BE HELD AS SCHEDULED. Should any Winter Class be cancelled, makeups will be held at the end of the regular class schedule. Classes are held for the number of sessions or hours designated. See class descriptions for specific dates and times.

REFUNDS: The Greenbelt Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel classes due to insufficient registration or causes beyond its control. Refunds will automatically be made if these classes are cancelled by the Department. Other refunds will be made according to the provisions in the City of Greenbelt Resolution No. 65, which requires that refund requests, for valid reasons, be submitted IMMEDIATELY IN WRITING to the Recreation Department Business Office.

MAINSTREAMING: Anyone who is physically, mentally, and/or emotionally challenged is encouraged to participate in any of the Recreation Department's programs. If you need any special assistance, please call 474-6878 or TTY 474-2046, ask for Karen Haseley.

LOCATION CODE: GAFC - Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center; SHLRC - Springhill Lake Recreation Center; YC - Youth Center.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department, weekdays 9:00 am - 4:30 pm at 474-6878.

CHILDREN, TEEN & ADULT CLASSES

ACTIVITIES	LOCATION	DAY	TIME	AGE GROUP	FEE (Non-Res. add 25%)
Arts & Crafts	YC	Mon	3:45p-4:30p	K-6th Grade	FREE-6 wks.
	SHLRC	Mon	3:15p-4:00p	K-6th Grade	FREE-6 wks.
Ballet - Pre-School	YC	Tue	4:00-4:45p	3-4 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
	YC	Sat	10:00-10:45a	3-4 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
Elementary Age	YC	Tue	5:00-5:45p	5-7 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
	YC	Sat	11:00-11:45a	5-9 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.

NO PARENTS ALLOWED DURING CLASSES

Better Breathing with Asthma or Bronchitis	GAFC	Fri	6:00-6:45p	7-14 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
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Fifty Years Ago Fledgling Co-op Drugstore Started Off on Wrong Foot

Part I
by James Giese

This is the first in a series of three historical articles about the problem encountered fifty years ago by Greenbelt's brand-new, cooperative pharmacy.

Part I
by James Giese
July to December, 1944—The co-op drugstore was a continuing operational problem to the fledgling Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc. (GCS) cooperative. For the past six years the store had had almost uninterrupted losses and the co-op had experimented with various methods to improve its operations. In July, Francis C. Melvin resigned as drugstore manager to take a more attractive offer from a drug distribution firm.

The GCS board of directors decided to try something different and entered into a management

contract with Jack Fruchtman as manager. Under the contract, the co-op would get three percent of the gross sales. Of the earnings, Fruchtman would get the first \$3,000 and any earnings over that amount would be split one-third co-op and two-thirds management. In no event would the manager receive more than \$9,000 a year. Fruchtman had been manager of the movie theater where he had been criticized for the amount he was paid. He commented to the Greenbelt **Cooperator** that "here is a chance for G.C.S. to get back some of the 'too much money' I made in the Theatre."

Criticism from Newspaper

The **Cooperator** in an editorial criticized the contract, charging that the GCS board had failed to follow the principles of cooperatives. "G.C.S. is rapidly losing all resemblance of a CO-OP and becoming a holding company . . ." it declared. The paper carried up a follow-up editorial the next week urging co-op members to become more involved in order to assure the success of the enterprise.

Apparently the criticism discouraged the board from contracting with Fruchtman. The paper next reported that negotiations were taking place with a Dr. Paul Levinson who was operating a large drugstore and lunch counter in the District.

At its quarterly meeting in August, the co-op membership elected W. R. Volckhausen, Donald H. Cooper, George Eshbaugh and Mrs. Carnie Harper to the board. Only Harper was not an incumbent, defeating Paul Dunbar.

The drugstore contract drew heated arguments among the members. Although co-op Gen-

eral Manager Thomas B. Ricker defended the need for an incentive plan contract to bring the drugstore out of the red, a vote of the members at the end of the meeting supported a motion opposing in principle profit contracts for managers in so far as was practical. However, there was no longer a quorum of members present at the vote, so the motion was deemed to be an informal expression of opinion and not an official vote.

By September, there was still no manager for the drugstore. A Dr. Wells was serving as pharmacist for six hours a day.

The contract with Dr. Levinson fell through when the board refused to enter into a long term contract, agreeing only to a three year term. In mid-September, Meyer Silnutzer was hired. He had over 20 years experience in the field and had operated his own store in Baltimore. However, before he came to work, the store was closed for two days due to lack of qualified help, a fact much criticized by the newspaper.

(In separate articles, we will continue to tell the story of the problems at the Co-op Drugstore.)

Fifty Years Ago Harassing Incident Causes Town Druggist to Resign

Part II
by James Giese

(This is the second of a three-part series on problems at the Co-op Drugstore. In part I, after being without a manager for a time, Meyer Silnutzer was hired to manage the store.)

On Wednesday, November 1, an incident took place at the drugstore which caused it to close temporarily and Drugstore Manager, Meyer Silnutzer, to submit his resignation. Charges resulting from the incident were thrown out of court because of the mass of conflicting evidence, but the **Cooperator**, undertaking "a task for Solomon," presented the facts as nearly as they could be determined.

Silnutzer and a porter were cleaning soap and wax Halloween scribbles from the drugstore window when the bus drew up to unload its customary mid-afternoon load of high school students. One of the boys upon entering the drugstore, according to his friends, remarked that "the boys did a good job last night," or something similar, according to the newspaper's account, and repeated it shortly thereafter when he left the drugstore. Silnutzer looked up and claimed the boy's fist was upraised. He therefore turned the hose on the boy, claiming self defense. To witnesses out of earshot who were watching, the attack seemed unprovoked. In the ensuing shuffle, the boy's clothing and books were soaked with an ammonia and water solution and Silnutzer's glasses were broken against his cheek. It was claimed by the boy's family that the aggression was all on the part of Silnutzer and his son Aaron, who ran out of the store to help his father.

Both Were Arrested

When young Silnutzer marched the high school boy to the police station, both were arrested by Officer Dodge for disorderly conduct. However, the town ordinance defining disorderly conduct did not contain the word "fight," so the charge didn't stick in court. Silnutzer charged the boy with assault and the boy's father countered with an assault warrant against Silnutzer. At the trial the following Monday, the Judge threw the case out of court after hearing the testimony of 14 witnesses.

Between the incident and the trial, rowdiness in the drugstore steadily increased, according to management. Insulting signs were scrawled on the doors. Silnutzer was also harassed. His paper carrier was "ordered" not to leave any papers on his family's porch. Saturday morning the air was let out of his tires.

After the trial Silnutzer submitted his letter of resignation "at once" to Ricker. In the letter he stated that "Due to the deficiency of recognized police authority I found that my mission was impossible of fulfillment without jeopardizing my pursuit of life, liberty and happiness." The drugstore was closed on Monday morning for an indefinite period.

Student Out to "Get" Manager

In an editorial, the **Cooperator** accused a group of high school students' of being out to "get" Silnutzer. The reason was that Silnutzer had fired several clerks who had been giving free handouts to their pals from behind the counter, and had attempted to curb the rowdiness in the interest of the community. "Are Greenbelt fathers and mothers concerned that Mr. and Mrs. Silnutzer were goaded by anonymous telephone calls and taunted with filthy names, during the high-schoolers' campaign to 'get Silnutzer?'" The paper criticized the police and the Administration for not singling out and effectively dealing with the ring-leaders, who it believed to be well known. It stated that Ricker felt that there were too many adults willing to take the boys' side and to condone the actions. The lack of organized activities for youth was also a part of the problem. The paper feared that "many will refuse, out of disgust for the current goings-on, to be taxed to provide a clubhouse for what they term 'a gang of hoodlums.'"

In a letter to the editor, GCS boardmember Walter R. Volckhausen substantiated the paper's charge that Silnutzer had been harassed for firing "boys employed at the lunch counter, who were giving free ice cream, sodas, etc. to their friends." He was ashamed of what "we Greenbelters have done, with a shame I have never known before in Greenbelt." He urged the many persons interested in Greenbelt to convince Silnutzer "that these actions do not express the attitude of an appreciable number of our people" and to let Silnutzer know "of our support, of our regret that he should have been the victim of the viciousness which we have permitted, and of our assurance that if he will remain with us, we will show him that Greenbelt is the sort of town he thought it was when he came here. . . ."

Children, Teen & Adult Classes Continued

Activities	Location	Day	Time	Age Group	Fee (Non-Res. Add 25%)
Clay Sculpture & Pottery	YC	Sat	10:00-11:00a	6-8 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
	YC	Sat	11:00-12:00n	9-12 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
CPR/First Aid Programs	TBA	Tue-Wed-Thu	7:00-10:00p	16 & Over	\$55/9 hrs.
Community First Aid and Safety Classes (Standard First Aid, Adult CPR, Infant and Child CPR) 3/27, 3/28 & 3/29; 4/10, 4/11 & 4/12; 5/15, 5/16 & 5/17					
Family Printmaking	YC	Wed	7:00-8:00p	8-Adult	\$25/8 wks.
Gymnastics - Pre-School	YC	Thu	3:30p-4:15p	3-5 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
	YC	Sat	12:30-1:15p	3-5 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
Elementary Age	YC	Thu	4:30p-5:15p	6-12 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
	YC	Sat	1:30-2:15p	6-12 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
NO PARENTS ALLOWED DURING CLASSES					
Jazz/Ballet Combo	YC	Tue	6:00-6:45p	7-12 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
Karate-Shotokan Youth Beginning	YC	Mon	5:00-6:00p	6-12 yrs.	\$32/10 wks.
Continuing	YC	Wed	5:00-6:00p	6-12 yrs.	\$32/10 wks.
Adult	YC	Wed	6:00-7:00p	14 & Over	\$32/10 wks.
	YC	Wed	7:00-8:00p	15 & Over	\$32/10 wks.
Mom's/Dad's Morning/Afternoon	YC	M-W-F	9:00-12:00n and		
Out (Children MUST be Potty Trained)	YC	Tue-Thu	9:00a-1:00p	4-5 yrs.	\$580/18 wks.
	YC	Tue-Thu	9:00a-1:00p	4-5 yrs.	\$301/18 wks.
	YC	M/W/F	9:00a-12:00n	3-5 yrs.	\$343/18 wks.
	YC	M/W/F	12:30p- 3:30p	3-5 yrs.	\$343/18 wks.
Pre-School Playtime	YC	Tue	4:30p-5:15p	3-5 yrs.	FREE/6 wks.
	YC	Thu	4:30p-5:15p	3-5 yrs.	FREE/6 wks.
	SHLRC	Wed	3:30p-4:15p	3-5 yrs.	FREE/6 wks.
Slimnastics	YC	Tue	7:30p-8:30p	16 & Over	\$15/10 wks.
Saturday School (formerly Living Learning, Language Group) SHLRC	YC	Sat	9:00-12:00n	3-8 yrs.	\$45/6 wks.
Slimnastics	YC	Tue	7:30-8:30p	16 & Over	\$20/10 wks.
	YC	Thu	7:00-8:00p	16 & Over	\$20/10 wks.
Tai Chi Introductory Sessions	YC	Wed	7:00p-8:00p	16 & Over	FREE
1/11/95, 1/14/95	YC	Sat	9:00a-10:00a	16 & Over	FREE
Beginning	YC	Sat	9:00a-10:00a	16 & Over	\$10/8 wks.
Beginning	YC	Wed	6:30p- 7:30p	16 & Over	\$10/8 wks.
Continuing	YC	Sat	8:00a-9:00a	16 & Over	\$10/8 wks.
Continuing	YC	Wed	7:30-8:30p	16 & Over	\$10/8 wks.
Tap/Tumbling Combo	YC	Sat	12:00-12:45p	4-6 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
Tap/Tumbling for Boys	YC	Sat	1:00-1:45p	7-10 yrs.	\$25/8 wks.
Tennis - Adult	Beginner BFTC	Sat	9:00a-10:30a	16 & Over	\$25/5 wks.
	Intermediate BFTC	Sat	10:30a-12:00n	16 & Over	\$25/5 wks.
Toddler Gym with	I YC	Wed	9:00a- 9:45a	15-30 mos.	\$15/8 wks.
Child & Caregiver	YC	Fri	9:00a- 9:45a	15-30 mos.	\$15/8 wks.
	II YC	Wed	10:00a-10:45a	2½ to	\$15/8 wks.
	YC	Fri	10:00a-10:45a	3½ yrs.	\$15/8 wks.

ADDITIONAL CLASS INFORMATION

AQUATIC ACTIVITIES

For information on Fitness, Aquatic Exercise and Swimming Lessons, held at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, dial 513-0390.

JACKI SORENSON'S AEROBIC DANCING AT THE SPRINGHILL LAKE RECREATION CENTER

Register with class instructor. Fall session begins Tuesday, January 3, 1995. Contact Sue Anne Swartz at 464-0655 for additional information.

Dancing	T/T	9:30a-10:30a	16 & Over	\$72/12 wks.
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	Sat	9:00a-10:00a	16 & Over	\$3.50/class

Police Blotter

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

A woman was the victim of a strong-arm robbery in the 6000 block of Greenbelt Rd. on Sunday, Dec. 11 around 6:45 p.m. The victim said she had left her vehicle and was walking towards the shopping center when a man approached her verbally threatened her, and demanded her purse. After obtaining the purse, the suspect fled, running down Cherrywood La. towards Breezewood Dr. He is described as a black male about 25 years old, 5'10" 170 pounds, with close-cropped black hair, brown eyes, and a medium complexion. He was wearing a beige waist-length jacket.

Two non-resident men were arrested and charged with rogue and vagabond after being found to be in possession of tools commonly used to break into and steal vehicles. On Sunday, Dec. 11, around 3 a.m., an officer patrolling the 7900 block of Mandan Rd. had observed them walking through a parking lot and thought them suspicious. One suspect was held on \$10,000 bond and the other was released pending trial.

A Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle after a six-year-old girl wandering through the parking lot of Greenway Center was located by a citizen. The incident took place on Monday, Dec. 12, around 6:45 p.m. The man, who was the girl's guardian, was released pending trial.

A Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with leaving children unattended in a motor vehicle after officers called to the scene found an eleven-month-old child and a two-year-old child in a vehicle in the parking lot of Greenway Center. The incident took place on Wednesday, Dec. 13, around 12:15 p.m. The man, who was the children's father, was released pending trial.

A non-resident man and non-resident woman were arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia after being stopped for a traffic violation at Greenbelt Rd. and Southway on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 10:45 p.m.

Thefts/Break-ins

Belle Point Dr., 7700 block, Dec. 11. It is unknown at this time if anything was taken from the office suite.

Parkway, 14 and 16 blocks, Dec. 11. Two laundry rooms were broken into.

And Crescent Rd., 12 block, Dec. 11. A laundry room was broken into. Entry was gained in each incident by breaking off the deadbolt lock. Nothing appears to have been taken.

Walker Dr., 7800 block (office suite), Dec. 12. Computer equipment was taken.

Ivy La., 6400 block (office suite), Dec. 12. A computer was taken.

Breezewood Dr., 6100 block, Dec. 12. A VCR was taken. Entry was gained by breaking out a window.

Breezewood Dr., 6100 block, Dec. 14. A refrigerator was taken from a vacant apartment. The method of entry is unknown.

Edmonston Rd., 9100 block, Dec. 15. A VCR, an answering machine, and a portable radio were taken. Entry was gained by forcing open a bedroom window.

Greenway Center Dr., 7500 block Dec. 12. Office equipment was taken from two differ-

ent office suites.

Holiday Inn, Hanover Pkwy., 7200 block, Dec. 13. Someone entered a hotel room and took money from a dresser while the victim was sleeping there.

Springshire Way., 6800 block, Dec. 14. Building materials were taken from a construction site.

Hanover Pkwy., 7900 block, Dec. 14. A burglary of a construction trailer took place.

Vehicle Theft

Breezewood Dr., 6100 block, Dec. 7. A 1978 Pontiac Grand Prix 2-door was stolen. It was recovered the same day by D.C. police in Washington, D.C. A 14-year-old D.C. youth was arrested.

Cherrywood Terr., 5800 block, Dec. 12. A black 1987 Nissan 300X 2-door, Md tags ZWC303, was stolen.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: Greenbelt Rd. (6000 and 7500 blocks), Ivy La. (6400 block), Cherrywood La. (5900 block), Mandan Rd. (7900 block), Greenbelt Metro Dr. (5800 block), Springhill Terr. (6100 block), and Hanover Pkwy. (7700 block).

Greenbelt Squad Wins Championship

by Jeff Keir

Coach Rick Bowden and his squad won the 75-pound championship for the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club. Rick was overshadowed by coach Bob Green, but Rick's record was seven wins and one loss. He also tied former coach Kenny Belt and this year's 85-pound coach Bob Green. Rick was very low key about his winning football season but he should be recognized for an outstanding coaching job.

Coach Bowden's comments on the season are as follows: "The championship could not have been won without great offensive running from Corey Murphy and the receiving talent of Jabari Savoury. In addition, the team continually made it down the field with the leadership ability of Billy Wasmer. Also showing great offensive running skills and hitting ability on defense was Michael Merriweather. Known for his outstanding touchdown-preventing tackles, Marcus Bowden did a great job of stopping the opponents and teammate Adam Vicks was outstanding on stopping the run up the middle and sidelines. William 'Cornhusker' Phelang may be the best defensive player in the county and played hard this year." Other offensive and defensive players who contributed to the success of this championship season were: Alonzo Webb, John Holmes, Michael Inzeo, Matthew Inzeo, Corey King, Basile Ferro, Demetrius Crawford, Anthony Peoples, Alonzo Jones Jr., Michael Canavan, Anthony Cochran, Larry Proctor, Darell Thomas, and Joseph Mowery. "I would like to thank my assistant coaches, Greg Browning, Alonzo Jones, Carlton Hudson, Sharon Cochran and Diane Lynn Webb, for making this an outstanding season with their contributions. In addition I would like to thank the parents for their support and letting their children play in the club. I would like to also thank my wife Tina for her support and also my kids, Bey, Marcus, Avery and Paxton for their patience." Coach Rick's team certainly performed well and can take time off to reflect on their wins until football season next year.

Reward

The Greenbelt City Police Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) responsible for any of the unsolved crimes as reported in Criminal Investigations in the Police Blotter in the Greenbelt News Review. Contact 507-6530. All information is confidential.

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Doctors Hospital Has New Microscope

Doctors Community Hospital (DCH), has expanded its already broad technology base to include the world's finest and most precise neurosurgical microscope by Carl Zeiss. The Carl Zeiss "NC 31" with autofocus is the newest innovation for Neurosurgery combining the best optics with precise movement.

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Doctors Community Hospital is the first hospital in Prince Georges County to offer this kind of technologically advanced system to its surgeons and patients.

New Manager Named

Albert Ceccone, formerly of Long & Foster, is the new branch manager of Coldwell Banker Nyman Greenbelt office. He has been a broker since 1976 and holds the G.R.I. designation. An active member of his community, Ceccone previously served as vice president of the Maryland Jaycees; and president of the Shephard Park Lions Club and Silver Spring Jaycees.

VOLUNTEER TYPIST NEEDED

The Greenbelt News Review needs someone to help type copy, classified ads and other juicy tidbits on Tuesday nights. No pay, but you can see all the good ads before everyone else. Leave message on 441-8769 or stop down on a Tuesday night between 8 and 10 p.m.



Century 21 Raises Funds

CENTURY 21 Trademark Realty, CENTURY 21 Jay Webster & Associates and CENTURY 21 Homes Unlimited recently sponsored a golf tournament to raise funds for the Easter Seal Society, which netted \$2,500. It was held at Marlborough Country Club in Upper Marlboro.

"We really want to thank all of those people in our community who helped to make this a success. It is such a worthy cause, and we were happy we could help out," said CENTURY 21 Trademark Realty Broker/Owner Louis Pope.

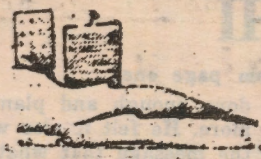
The offices are part of CENTURY 21 of the Mid-Atlantic States, which is comprised of approximately 230 independently owned and operated offices in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C. Century 21 Trademark Realty is located on 6401 Golden Triangle Drive in Greenbelt.

Realtors Honored By March of Dimes

Karon Moore, Manager of the Greenbelt office of Weichert, Realtors, along with the office's sales team, was recently honored by the March of Dimes Foundation with a silver plaque in recognition of their participation in the 1994 Annual March of Dimes/Weichert Phoneathon.

Every summer, Weichert associates in many of the company's branch offices call previous March of Dimes donors and new prospects to gather contribution pledges to support March of Dimes programs aimed at preventing birth defects and infant deaths. The "Campaign for Healthier Babies" includes medical research, community services, advocacy, and health education programs. The Greenbelt office raised more than \$1,000 in contributions and pledges this year.

Greenbelt's Business



Doctors Hospital Gets Quality Award

Doctors Community Hospital (DCH) has been awarded the first annual Gallup Quality Award for healthcare organizations by the Gallup Organization. This prestigious award compares DCH to hospitals nationwide.

Doctors Community Hospital is one of ten hospitals in the country receiving the award for outpatient services, and the only one in Maryland. In this general area, one hospital each in Virginia, Delaware, and New Jersey were also recognized. Each year Gallup surveys more than 180,000 patients throughout the nation, which underscores the importance of the award.

DCH has also posted substantive gains in its Emergency Department and inpatient satisfaction Gallup scores. The Gallup research has helped the hospital to identify the service variables that are most important to patients. These variables include competence of nursing staff and physicians, friendliness and caring of staff, experiences in ancillary departments, the registration process, and cleanliness of the facility, to name a few. Therefore, this award can be considered a very positive reflection on the entire hospital.

Office Aid Needed

The Prince Georges County Health Department has a number of openings for volunteers willing to do basic office tasks at county clinics. The work ranges from receptionist at the Penn Silver Clinic, working with students at Northwestern High School, caring for pre-schoolers at Forestville to general office work at the Mental Health Clinic at Cheverly. Fluency in Spanish is a plus in some of these jobs. Choose from hours running from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Friday.

To volunteer or for more information, contact the Prince Georges Voluntary Action Center, Inc. at (301) 699-2800.

HealthPlus Signs State Workers

HealthPlus, one of the region's largest managed care companies, has signed a new contract with the State of Maryland to provide employee health care benefits.

The state's 92,500 employees will be offered HealthPlus HMO and point-of-service benefits among a range of insurance plans. The point-of-service plan encourages members to seek medical care within the provider network but allows them to see other doctors at a slightly higher cost.

The new contract goes into effect January 1, 1995. Under current contract, HealthPlus provides coverage to more than 8,000 state employees and their dependents in its HMO program.

HealthPlus is an individual practice association (IPA) model health maintenance organization based in Greenbelt.

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Century 21 Greenbelt

Office Award Winner

Century 21 Trademark Realty, Inc. Greenbelt was one of fifteen Century 21 offices in Washington and Suburban Maryland recently named Century 21 Gold Club Offices for the third quarter by Century 21 of the Mid-Atlantic States National Capital Maryland District. The Gold Club Office award is the highest quarterly award in the National Capital Region and represents only the top 44 percent of Century 21 offices. The criteria for receiving the award is based on sales volume and units sold.

Hospice Offers Free Brochures

The Hospice Council of Metropolitan Washington, Inc. has developed a Grief in the Workplace program to help answer the questions of what to say or do when a colleague suffers the loss of a loved one. Four brochures are available: "A Guide for Managers," "When a Co-Worker is Ill or Dies," "When a Co-Worker Suffers a Loss" and "A Guide to Grief." The organization also offers workshops and training seminars conducted by trained professionals and experienced volunteers.

Single copies of the brochures are free. Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Hospice Council of Metropolitan Washington, 1377 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20005. For information about workshops and seminars call 202-828-7777.

ERHS Is Cited

As National Leader

The College Board recently announced that Eleanor Roosevelt High School, ranked 32nd among more than 10,800 high schools nationwide in administering Advancement Placement tests.

Each year, the College Board recognizes the top 100 schools in terms of the number of Advanced Placement tests taken by students. The average number of tests administered at any school this year was 65. At 362, Eleanor Roosevelt administered more than five times as many tests as the national average. With nearly 3,000 students, Eleanor Roosevelt is the largest high school in Maryland and one of the largest in the nation.

High school students earn college credit for Advanced Placement courses. To earn the credit, they take examinations which are accredited by the American Council on Education and accepted by more than 2,800 colleges and universities worldwide.

For more information, contact 513-5400.

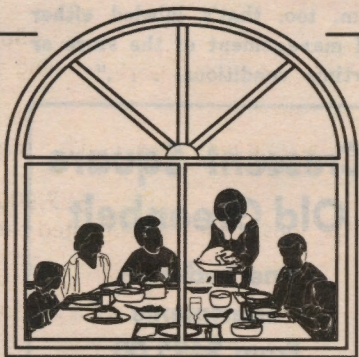
Democratic Club Elects Officers

Alive and only slightly wounded after the recent election, the Eleanor and Franklin D. Roosevelt Democratic Club held its annual holiday party and investiture of officers on December 16 in the Community Room of Greenbriar. Tom White, City Councilman and member of the Maryland Democratic Central Committee, administered the oath of office.

Long time Greenbelt activist, Pat Unger, was installed as president. Three vice-presidents were inducted — Hopi Auerbach, Jim Inzeo, and J Davis. Davis was the outgoing president, having served two consecutive terms. Other officers installed were Kathy Oliver-Jones, recording secretary; Kurt Walter, corresponding secretary; Roy Dahl, treasurer; and Maurice Love and Pearl Siegel, sergeants-at-arms.

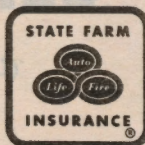
The club meets the third Friday night of each month. For further information call any of the above named officers.

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GHI

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would be out of order at the special meeting. Director John O'Boyle agreed that it should have been put on the agenda for the meeting. Comis justified the audit as needed to look at the overall structure of the corporation to see if it is operating at an efficient level.

Director William Phelan argued against doing the audit. He contended that Overdurf had been hired as manager only a year ago and that she had been asked to do many things and had made many changes. "What if the consultant tells her to go in a direction she doesn't want to go?" he asked.

He continued that he had been involved with outsiders doing studies and "to quote Sherry Garten, 'They just don't get it.'" At best, he felt GHI will have spent a lot of money for nothing if a management audit is done, and at worst it will conflict with what the manager is doing.

Henry, however, thought it was a good idea. "We don't have to take what they say," she argued. "They only give it."

Turnbull disagreed with her and Comis. He felt such an audit would give a message that the board and management had not

done enough and planned to do more. He felt it also would send the message that what the General Manager had been doing during the year was not a management audit when that is exactly what she had been doing.

Overdurf did not feel it was appropriate to present the management audit proposal at the special meeting. She asked for more time to get to do what she wants to do at GHI. Her time has been constrained by other activities, at the direction of the board.

When it came to a vote on the Comis motion, only Comis voted for it.

Pets Face Hazards During the Holidays

The Maryland Veterinary Association warns that holiday fun may prove fatal for dogs and cats.

"Dogs and cats are often curious about Christmas trees and may swallow ornaments, foil 'icicles,' and light bulbs," the association warns. "Even more tragic are those pets who bite into tree light cords. This can cause severe injury or even death."

Pet owners should not feed their furry friends rich holiday foods. Chocolate is particularly toxic for dogs and cats.

Fifty Years Ago Apology Persuaded Manager to Stay

Part III

by James Giese

(This is the final installment in a series about the troubles at the Co-op Drugstore. In the last episode, store manager Meyer Silnutzer quit, following a scuffle episode, store manager Meyer arrested. The court washed its hands of the whole affair, and adults were shamed by the conduct of Greenbelt youths.)

November, 1944—The November 17 issue of the Greenbelt Cooperator reported a number of actions that improved the situation that had resulted in the resignation of Drugstore Manager Meyer Silnutzer. On Friday, November 10, a delegation of teen-age boys and girls went to Silnutzer's home to apologize for the incident. Among the group was the boy with whom most of the trouble had occurred. He made a personal apology to Silnutzer.

The delegation told Silnutzer that they wanted him to stay and that they, as a committee, would do anything they could do to prevent similar trouble recurring. Silnutzer, who stated that his faith in Greenbelt was justified, recanted his decision to resign, and reopened the store on the following day.

Then on the following Tuesday, the Town Council agreed to fix up a recreation room for Greenbelt young people in the basement of the firehouse and police station (now Domino's Pizza). This facility became the first "Drop Inn" for the teens.

The paper also published three letters to the editor. Mary Jane Townsend, the president of the Youth Club and a member of the delegation to Silnutzer, wrote a letter defending the actions of Greenbelt teens in general. She noted an incident at the drug-

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store of bad adult behavior and urged that a place be provided for teens. (Townsend, a high school senior, was also on the staff of the Cooperator and wrote a regular column providing news about servicemen, "Greenbelters in Uniform.")

Dick Bates, "only 21", an airman home on leave after eight months overseas in the Air Corps, also defended the teens and urged the town to provide a recreational place for them. "This town has been here for seven years and as yet nothing has been done for the youth," he wrote.

Mildred Dickhaut declared that the boy who was in the midst of the trouble had not been responsible for soaping the drugstore windows and implied that Silnutzer could be wrong, too. (It seemed everyone in town knew who the bad boy was, but he was not named by the paper.) She went on, "When the boys gather at the Center and in the drugstore and get loud at times and rough, even at times breaking something, that's 'Juvenile Delinquency.' At the Food Store when the adults go there and fight for a meat ticket, grab other peoples (sic) baskets, fight for butter, etc., knock jars of food off the shelves and break them, too, that's labeled either bad management of the store or wartime conditions. . . ."

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Greenbelt CARES

Judye Hering held a tutor's workshop on Saturday, November 19. Seven tutors attended.

Greenbelt CARES hosted a day-long training and meeting for members of the Maryland Association of Youth Services Bureaus and the Maryland Foster Care Review Board.

Judye Hering met with Latrey and Jeanne Washington, directors of the "Let's Make A Change, Inc." program on Wednesday, November 30. This federally funded program provides afterschool care with parental involvement, for students attending Springhill Lake Elementary School. The focus of the meeting was to develop a group tutoring program at the school. Tutoring will be done by members of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity and their sister sorority from the University of Maryland.

Carol Leventhal and Teresa Smithson attended a Juvenile Justice Advisory Council Conference, "Children of Color and the Juvenile Justice System" on November 30.

An average of 25 families a week participated in regular, scheduled counseling during November. 54 individuals were involved, 41% of them children and youth under 18 years of age. Weekly tutoring sessions were held in wide variety of subjects including math, reading, history and the sciences. 79 students participated this month.

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Kimberly Ledwell, age 3, Santa Claus and Miss Greenbelt at the Greenbriar's Children's Lunch with Santa.
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Santa at Greenbriar

Santa Claus and Miss Greenbelt, Carolina Godinez, visited the Greenbriar Community Building last Saturday for the Children's Lunch with Santa. It was attended by over 50 children and their parents. After lunch, the kids watched a holiday movie and had a coloring party. Members of the Greenbriar Social Committee assisted with this event.

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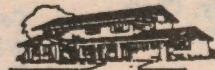
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